

MEMORANDUM FOR: DDCI

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1. This memorandum suggests action on the part of the DDCI. Such requested action is contained in paragraph six.

2. In accordance with DDCI's request, forwarded herewith for DDCI approval and signature is a suggested reply to the letter to DDCI, dated 17 May 1956, from Mr. Albert PRATT, Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Personnel and Reserve Forces).

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4. Mr. Albert PRATT, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, replied to the INDIA's letter on 17 May 1956. Mr. PRATT stated that it will be possible for Mr. [ ] to be advanced to officer status in his present assignment. He requested that the Chief of the Bureau of Naval Personnel be informed of the earliest date in prospect for Mr. [ ] availability for further assignment.

5. The attached suggested reply from DDCI to Mr. PRAATT, expresses appreciation of the Navy Department's favorable action, and informs Mr. PRAATT that the Chief of the Bureau of Naval Personnel has been advised by letter of the earliest date in prospect for Mr. [ ] return to the Navy for reassignment. A copy of this letter is attached for transmittal with the letter from DDCI to Mr. PRAATT.

6. It is recommended that the attached letter from DDCI to Mr. PRATT be signed by the DDCI and that the signed letter with attachment be transmitted to Mr. PRATT.

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Attach. 1

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